

Docket No.: 043888-0495

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of        | : | Customer Number: 53080    |
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| Fumio KATO, et al.          | : | Confirmation Number: 3603 |
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| Application No.: 10/588,036 | : | Group Art Unit: 1795      |
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| Filed: August 01, 2006      | : | Examiner: LEE, CYNTHIA K  |
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| For: ALKALINE BATTERY       | : |                           |

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2009, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire September 9, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows.